DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

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I believe I am an original, first, and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled <u>Improved Copper Bath for Electroplating Fine</u> Circuitry on <u>Semiconductor Chips</u>, the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

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None.

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